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HOLLAND, NJ---Cadet CMSgt Kevin Stopinski has been promoted to C/2nd Lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol, the US Air Force civilian auxiliary, on 1 May 2006.

Lt Col Olszewski was on hand from headquarters for the occasion. As a prior enlist with the US Army, Lt Col Olszewski is dedicated to the cadets learning experience. As director of emergency training for New Jersey, Lt Col Olszewski was also Kevin's instructor pilot at basic encampment, at search and rescue school as well as Falcon Flight.

In just 3 ½ years and at 17 years old, C/2dLt Stopinski is the new deputy squadron commander for cadets in the local Delaware Valley Composite Squadron.

Civil Air Patrol's Cadet Programs is designed to provide youth, from sixth grade through age 20, with a safe and encouraging environment in which to learn, mature and explore opportunities to help them reach their potential as adults.

Cadets participate in a structured program through group and individual activities that include aerospace education, physical training, leadership and moral and ethical values.

In receiving his cadet position of 2dLt, Kevin hopes to enlist as a senior airman (E-3) in security forces with the US Air Force when he graduates from Delaware Valley Regional High School. Kevin boasts that "C.A.P. has definitely given me the leadership experience and confidence that I need to excel in my future career with the Air Force."

In his years with the Civil Air Patrol Kevin has had many memorable experiences with earning his solo wings at Flacon Flight with Lt Col Olszewski as his most memorable. The Civil Air Patrol encourages youth to attain a private piloting license and gives ribbons upon completing a 'solo flight'.

Kevin is also very proud of the 'find ribbon' he wears on his uniform. He is trained and qualified to perform ground searches when emergency locator transmissions go off and the US Air Force calls the all volunteer Civil Air Patrol into duty.

Currently Kevin is working hard get promoted up the ranks and is dedicated to attaining the rank of Major before he graduates from high school.

Currently there are over 580 Civil Air Patrol cadets in New Jersey. For more information about the Civil Air Patrol, its missions or to join please go to <http://delval.njwg.cap.gov/>.

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